

REMARKS

Applicant has placed the limitation of claim 10 into claim 1. No new matter has been added and no new issues have been introduced. Applicant requests that the amendments be entered.

Claims 1-6, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14-17, 19, 20 are rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Kostylev.

Claims 9-20 have been cancelled. The limitation from claim 10 has been placed into claim 1. As noted on page 3, paragraph 1 of the Office Action

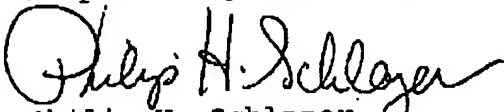
"Claim 10 is objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims".

Hence, the rejection under 35 USC 102(e) is overcome and applicant requests that the rejection be removed.

SUMMARY

Claims 7 and 9-20 have been cancelled. In view of the above amendment and remarks, claims 1-6 and 8 are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the outstanding rejection, and notification of allowance. Should the Examiner have any questions or suggestions regarding the prosecution of this application, he is asked to contact applicant's representative at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,


Philip H. Schlazer
Reg. No. 42,127

Date: 26 September 2005
Energy Conversion Devices
2956 Waterview
Rochester Hills, MI 48309

Phone (248) 299-6049
Fax (248) 844-2273